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27.	Uttaranchal	106.39
28.	West Bengal	94.67
29.	A & N Islands	107.97
30.	Chandigarh	71.87
31.	D&N Haveli	113.70
32.	Daman & Diu	128.85
33.	Delhi	91.84
34.	Lakshadweep	58.75
35.	Pondicherry	121.34
ALL INDIA		93.54

Rigid system of education

977. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present study system is rigid and mostly students mug up their lessons without knowing well the background of the subject or the other connecting links to it;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) why Government is not taking the corrective steps and playing with the future of valuable students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) In order to address the problem of information overload on children without any regard to their age, ability or time available in school as pointed out in a Report entitled "Learning without Burden", the National Curriculum Framework-2005 has suggested:

- (i) Connecting knowledge to life outside the school,
- (ii) Ensuring that learning is shifted away from rote methods,
- (iii) Enriching the curriculum to provide for overall development of children rather than remain textbook centre,
- (iv) Making examinations more flexible and integrated into classroom life, and
- (v) Nurturing an overriding identity informed by caring concerns within the democratic policy of the country.

In Higher Education, the University Grants Commission is undertaking academic reforms during the eleventh Plan in regard to assessment/evaluation procedure, examination reforms like credit system, semester system, continuous and internal evaluation.

Allocation for universities

978. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any dearth of funds and allocations for universities under the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details worked out, so far; and

(d) the importance being given to universities in Andhra Pradesh, especially in Telangana region during that Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The XI Plan allocation approved by National Development Council (NDC) for ongoing schemes of Higher Education (including Oversight Committee) is Rs. 14130 crores, and for new schemes it is Rs. 35,923 crores.

(d) While Universities established by State Legislatures are maintained and developed by State Governments, the University Grants Commission also provides some development grants to State Universities including those of Andhra Pradesh and its Telangana region. The two central Universities—Hyderabad University and Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, are also provided development and maintenance grants through the UGC under the Plan.

Primary schools without blackboards

†979. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National University for Educational Planning and Administration has found in its reports for 2005-06 that there is no blackboard in 89,000 primary schools in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the number of such schools State-wise, and in which States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) As per the figures compiled by National University of Educational Planning and Administration through District Information System for Education (DISE), 89407 primary schools in the country did not have blackboards. The details of percentage of primary schools without blackboards, State-wise are enclosed as Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of percentage of Primary Schools without blackboard

Sl.No.	Name of State/UT	% of schools without blackboard
1	2	3
1.	A & N Islands	13.04

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.